MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): Was any instruction issued, at the time the District Magistrate was not holding court during the Murajapam as to what the parties seeking redress should do?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No instructions were issued.

Representation of Labour in Popular Bodies.

185. MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state what arrangement there is to represent the interests of labour in the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly, the Legislative Council and the Economic Development Board?

(*b*) If there is no arrangement, will the Government take early steps to give labour adequate representation in the institutions mentioned above?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) There is no special arrangement.

(*b*) Labour is now represented on the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly and the Legislative Council. The question of providing for the representation of labour on the Economic Development Board will be considered, when the term of the present Board expires.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): May I know who represent labour in the Popular Assembly and in this Council?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): What is meant is that there are members in the Council and in the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly belonging to classes from which a large volume of labour is recruited in the country and that is why it is said in part (*a*) that there is no special arrangement for the representation of labour.

Council Chamber.

186. MR. T. K. VELU PILLAI (*Trivandrum cum Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware of the inconvenience felt by the public in the use of the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall, Trivandrum, on account of the meetings of the Legislative Council being held in that hall;

(*b*) whether there is any room attached to the Legislative Council Library where the members may repair for study;

(*c*) whether the Government are aware of the difficulties experienced by the members of the Council for want of suitable accommodation during their stay in Trivandrum when the Council is in session; and

(*d*) whether they propose the construction of a Council Chamber and Library with temporary lodgings for the members within easy access of the Chamber during session?

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[Mr. S. Parameswara Aiyar.]

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) No case of inconvenience has been brought to the notice of the Government.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) The proposal involves a large expenditure and has therefore to lie over.

Promotion to Mr. Pitchu Aiyangar, Teacher.

187. MR. T. M. CHIDAMBARATANU PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Tovala*): Will the Government be pleased to state the reasons for the promotion of Mr. T. S. Pitchu Aiyangar, B. A., L. T., teacher, English High School, Kottar, to the first grade on the 1st Makaram, 1090, though he joined service only on the 28th Karkatakam, 1088?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Dr. Bishop and Mr. Pryde recommended him to the first grade in consideration of his special merit.

Revenue from Imports.

188. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel* cum *Vilavankod*): With reference to the answer to question No. 13 asked on the 13th Tulam, 1099, will the Government be pleased to state the value of the dutiable goods imported through the seaports from Quilon to Munambam in each of the years from 1094 to 1097 (inclusive)?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*):

Years.	*Value of dutiable goods imported.*
	Rs.
1094 ...	1,02,736
1095 ...	44,814
1096 ...	1,44,447
1097 ...	1,31,037

Mr. Van Ross's Inspection Work in Devicolam Excise Division.

189. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel* cum *Vilavankod*): (*a*) Did the Excise Commissioner go to the Devicolam Excise Division on circuit in 1098?

(*b*) If so, when did he leave Trivandrum and when did he return to Trivandrum on each occasion?

(*c*) What offices did he inspect on his way to Devicolam, during his stay there, and on his return journey, and what was the date of inspection in each case?

(*d*) Were any defects discovered in these inspections, and, if so, what was their nature?

(*e*) What is the amount received as travelling allowance on account of these journeys?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Yes.

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